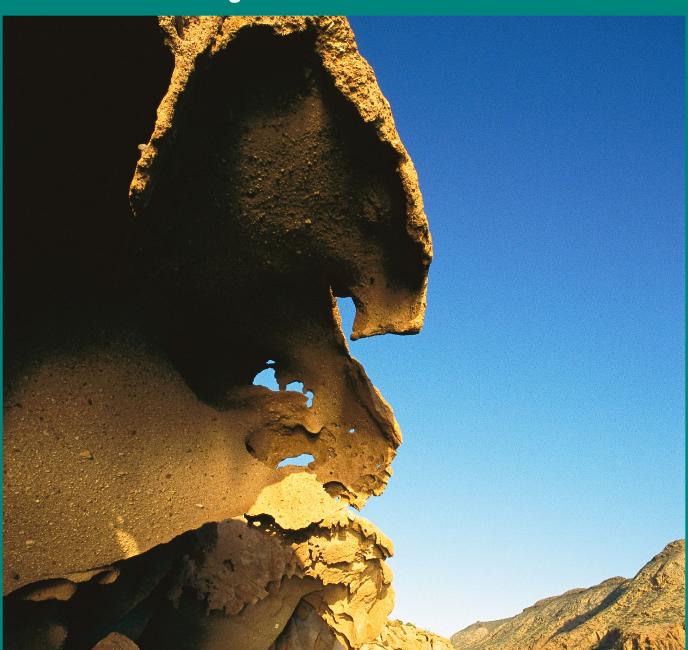
VA #1 Mossy Rocks in Stream



VA #2 Weathering



VA #3 Distant View of Mt. Ritter



VA #4 Close-Up View of Mt. Ritter



VA #5 Magnified Sand



VA #6 Quartz



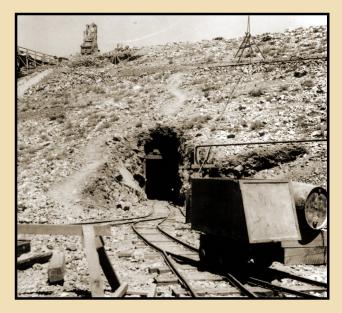
VA #7 Salmon Spawning



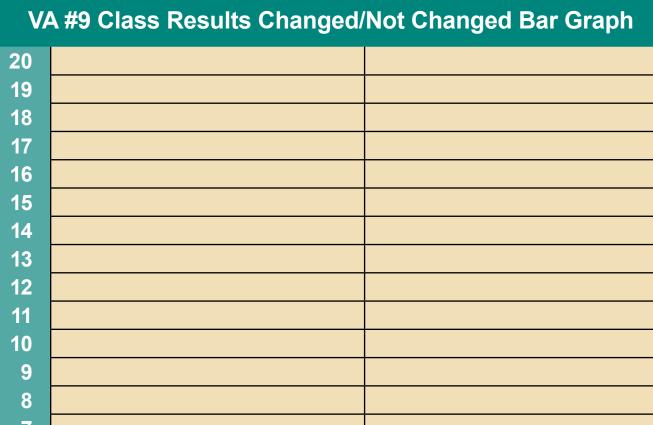
VA #8 California Gold and California Gold Mine











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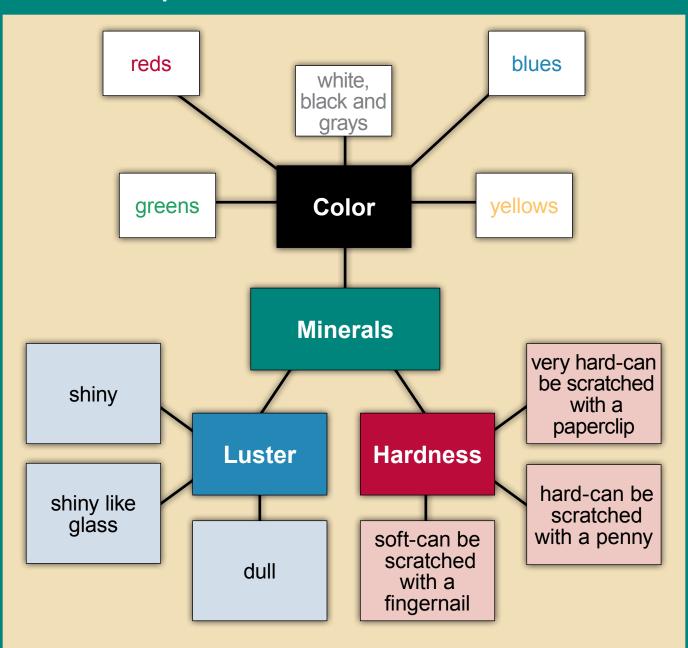
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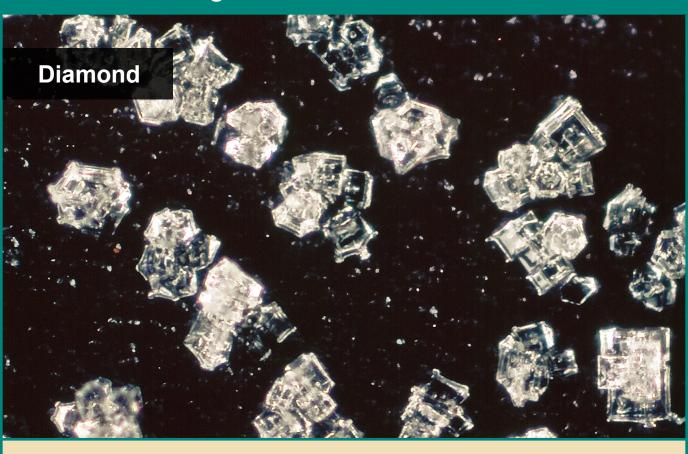
People changed the shape or People did not change the

shape or size of the rock.

VA #10 Properties of Minerals



VA #11 Matching Minerals: Diamond



Color: colorless, white, sometimes black

Luster: very shiny

Hardness: hardest mineral

Did you know? Many tools are made with diamond blades because diamonds are so hard.

VA #12 Matching Minerals: Salt



Color: colorless, white, many other colors

Luster: shiny like glass

Hardness: soft

Did you know? People use salt in cooking. Sometimes they shake salt on their food after it is cooked.

VA #13 Matching Minerals: Bauxite

Bauxite



Color: white, red, gray, or yellow

Luster: dull

Hardness: soft

Did you know? Aluminium cans are made from bauxite. They can be recycled and used over again.

VA #14 Matching Minerals: Graphite



Color: dark gray to black

Luster: shiny

Hardness: soft

Did you know? The filling in your pencil is made of graphite.

Write on!

VA #15 Matching Minerals: Talc



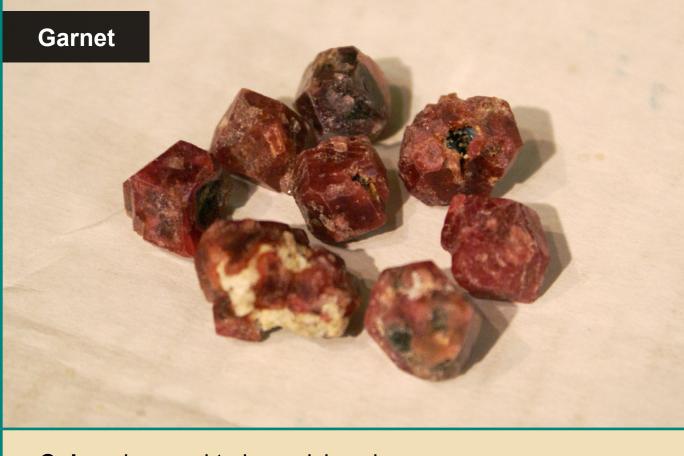
Color: white to light gray; sometimes pink, blue, green, or black

Luster: dull

Hardness: softest mineral

Did you know? Baby powder is made from this soft mineral.

VA #16 Matching Minerals: Garnet



Color: deep red to brownish red

Luster: shiny like glass

Hardness: hard

Did you know? People wear jewelry made with garnets.